

AMSTERDAM DUNES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Sheboygan County Administration Building
508 New York Avenue
Sheboygan, WI 53081
Room 302

August 31, 2015

Call to Order: 6:00 PM

Adjourned: 8:10PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Thomas Wegner, County Board Chairman Roger Te Stroete, Supervisor Ed Procek, Ron Hinze, Mary Piehl for Dave Kuckuk, Aaron Brault, Richard Hill, Dale Meeusen, Phil Mersberger, Chad Pinnow, Lee VandeWall

OTHERS PRESENT: Dave Dickman, Steve Jones, Mike Clutter

County Board Chairman Te Stroete called the formal meeting to order at 6:00pm and certified the meeting was in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law; meeting posted on 8/24/15 at 10:30AM.

Approval of Minutes, June 1, 2015 – Mr. VandeWall motioned and Mr. Mersberger seconded to approve the June 1, 2015 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on Hunting Rules Regarding the Property – Mr. Brault went over the County's hunting policies. He and Mr. Clutter also discussed some of the differences in State versus County policies with one of the primary differences being the ability to leave a hunting stand up overnight per County policy. The idea of a lottery was also discussed. After much discussion, the consensus was that we should wait and see if there is a problem before expending the time, effort, and cost of implementing something that may not ultimately be needed. Mr. Brault also explained some of the implications of implementing a lottery system. Mr. Pinnow suggested the County install a temporary parking area on the corner of Sauk Trail Road and Amsterdam Road for the upcoming hunting season. The consensus of the group was that this was a good idea. Mr. Brault stated he would make that happen.

Update on Various Grants, Plans, Etc. - Mr. Brault provided an update on where the County is at with the State Stewardship process along with the Natural Resource Damage Assessment process and the successful Fund for Lake Michigan grant application.

Review and Consideration of Previous Site Design Exercise Results – Mr. Brault went over the combined thoughts from the group from the last meeting. The discussion following primarily focused on parking locations and potential trail locations. Following much discussion, the consensus was that a central parking area above the bluff on Amsterdam Road made the most sense as a central hub. Mr. Brault noted that a location in that area would have to move west a bit from what was shown on the map since there are mitigation bank credits being sought just above the bluff on Amsterdam Road. Mr. Brault noted that spring would be a good time to put in that lot because of the current crops, budget, etc. The consensus was too, that a northerly and southerly lot should eventually be included as well, but to start with the central hub first and work from there. Based on the ensuing discussion and the input from the last meeting, Mr. Brault noted it was his intention to get the consultant working on three concept options for the committee to consider. From those three options, the committee could pick the best options and combine into one final plan from which to work from.

Set Next Meeting Date – December 7, 6:00PM.

Adjourn – Supervisor Wegner motioned and Supervisor Procek seconded to adjourn. Motion carried. 8:10 pm.

Aaron Brault
Recording Secretary